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SUBJ: ORLOV CASE--GON AND LABOR PARTY REACTION

1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED. IN REPLY TO A QUESTION IN THE STORTING ON THE ORLOV CASE, FROM CENTER PARTY MEMBER ERLAND ASDAHL, OIL AND ENERGY MINISTER BJARTMAR GJERDE, SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF FOREIGN MINISTER FRYDENLUND, GAVE THE FOLLOWING REPLY: "THE NORWEGIAN GOVERNMENT SHARES THE CONCERN THAT HAS BEEN EXPRESSED ABOUT THE SENTENCE HANDED DOWN IN THE CASE OF URI ORLOV. THE FINAL ACT OF HELSINKI IS A SOLEMN DECLARATION OF THE MORAL AND POLITICAL OBLIGATIONS OF THE SIGNATORY STATES. IN THE NORWEGIAN VIEW, IT MUST BE CONSIDERED AN ENTIRELY LEGITIMATE AFFAIR AND LIES CLEARLY WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE FINAL ACT THAT INDIVIDUAL CITIZENS SHALL BE ABLE TO DETERMINE FOR THEMSELVES IN WHAT MANNER THE FINAL ACT IS TO BE OBSERVED IN BOTH HIS OWN AND IN OTHER LANDS, AND TO FREELY EXPRESS HIS OWN OPINION IN THIS CONNECTION."

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2. AUF--THE LABOR PARTY YOUTH ORGANIZATION--DELIVERED A STRONGLY WORDED LETTER ADDRESSED TO KOMSOMOL TO THE SOVIET EMBASSY IN OSLO. THE LETTER, PUBLISHED IN THE OFFICIAL LABOR PARTY DAILY ARBEIDERBLADET, ACCUSED SOVIET JUSTICE OF BEING QUOTE CONTEMPTUOUS OF BASIC HUMAN RIGHTS AND THE WORTH OF THE INDIVIDUAL UNQUOTE.

AUF CALLED FOR THE IMMEDIATE RELEASE AND PARDON OF ORLOV. THE AUF LETTER CITED THE ORGANIZATION'S COOPERATION WITH KOMSOMOL IN SUPPORT OF DETENTE, DISARMAMENT, AND NOTED THAT EVENTS LIKE THE IMPRISONMENT OF ORLOV WOULD STRENGTHEN THE OPPONENTS OF DETENTE IN THE WEST, AND DIM THE PROSPECTS FOR PEACEFUL EAST-WEST COOPERATION. AUF REQUESTED THAT KOMSOMOL INTERVENE DIRECTLY WITH SOVIET AUTHORITIES ON ORLOV'S BEHALF. END UNCLASSIFIED.

COMMENT: BEGIN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE. THE AUF, WITH ITS ANTI-NATO STATEMENTS AND SIMILAR MANIFESTATIONS OF FAR LEFT VIEWS, HAS FREQUENTLY BEEN A SOURCE OF EMBARRASSMENT TO THE CENTRIST LABOR PARTY ESTABLISHMENT. IN THIS INSTANCE, THE YOUTH ORGANIZATION'S UNEQUIVOCAL STATEMENT ON THE ORLOV CASE CONTRASTS NOTICEABLY WITH THE MFA'S PEDESTRIAN STATEMENT ON THE MATTER AND DEMONSTRATES THE YOUTH WING'S VERSATILITY IN UNDERCUTTING THE PARENT ORGANIZATION. END LOU.  
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